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NOTICE.
I will attend at my office from the 7th to 12th of this month to list the taxable property, and also all special taxes for the Town of Rutherfordton. Persons failing to list are liable by the ordinances of the Town to pay a double tax. See Ordinance in another column. March 1st 1870.

J. B. CARPENTER, Mayor.
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From the Standard.

We Have Loved Each Other.
We have loved each other,
Through dark and sunny days,
As though one same mother
Were ours to chide, or praise.

We have loved so fondly,
So only and so true,
Must our vows so warmly
Breathed, be broken too?

Must the words we've spoken,
In friendship's rosy day,
Stand up as a token
Of what has passed away?

Severed, shall we weep,
Each o'er the other's woe,
And proudly strive to keep
Up a deceptive show?

Shall we cheat each other
Into a wrong belief,
Shall we vainly smother
Our earnest, honest grief?

Shall we meet carelessly,
As strangers with a smile
Polite, and lovelessly
Exchange cold words the while?

Oh friend! it cannot be—
We must not meet again,
Unless you smile on me
And love me still the same.

I have still the flowers
The basket and the book—
Relics of happy hours—
On them how can I look?

I cannot save in tears,
With sighs and loud regrets,
For all now but endears,
My once most loved of pets.

My once most loved? he yet
Within my heart it dwells—
That love—can love's forget
Their honey stored cells?

Nor cannot I the sorrow
Of so much pure, deep, joy—
Nay, by this great grief's door—
Which pride would fain destroy.

I love thee too well—
Say, canst thou not forget
The idle words, which fell
From lips that cannot live.

At variance with things?
Say that I am forgiven?
And I that once more am mine
That for which is driven.

All gladness from my heart—
For thy love I am weeping
Heart-sore, with sorrow's load,
Great wishes of grief I'm reaping.

Let us forget the sad past,
Let us love truly again—
An honest love that will last—
Let me not love you in vain.

Can you, for a light a thing,
Cast me out in your heart?
Coldly, cruelly, dash ring,
These jarring words depart!

I could not give you up
My very soul would cling
Around our happy past,
And back those image bring.

To thine own place, within
My yearning heart to dwell,
Oh think before you speak
That lightning word "Farewell!"

REBECCA BLISS BUCKTON,
Oakland, N. C., March 1870.

CAPTIONS
Of Acts and Resolutions passed by the General Assembly at the session of 1869 and 1870:

A Bill in relation to per diem and mileage.

A Bill to establish Turnpikes in certain counties.

Resolution requesting the Secretary of State to report amount paid for stationery under existing laws since the new Constitution went into effect.

Resolution requesting the Public Treasurer to report amount of bonds issued to the various railroad companies of the State.

Senate Resolution in regard to special tax on brandy and tobacco.

Senate Resolution in relation to bonds and coupons.

Senate Resolution in relation to Clerks (Legislative).

Senate Resolution that the Treasurer report what amount of money has been paid to the Code Commissioners.

Senate Resolution in relation to the Code Commissioners. That the Commissioners report the time they have been actually engaged.

An act to extend the corporate limits of Rutherfordton.

An act to forbid the sale of spirituous liquors within three miles of what is known as Clegg's Copper Mine, in Chatham county.

Resolution requesting the opinion of Chief Justice and Associate Justices of Supreme Court.

Resolution to provide for the Insane.

An act to prevent the sale of spirituous liquors within three miles of Silver Hill, in Davidson county.

Senate Resolution calling on the Auditor for certain information.

Senate Resolution in regard to Clerks' room.

Senate Resolution instructing Senate Committee on Finance.

Act to amend section 485 Title XIX chapter 12 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

Act to change the line between the counties of Surry and Alleghany.

Act in favor of the Sheriff of Cumberland county.

Act to amend sec. 19, chap. 184, public laws of 1868-'69.

Act in relation to mileage and per diem.

Act to incorporate the Valley Railroad Company.

Act to allow enterers of vacant lands further time to obtain grants from the State.

Act providing for the support of the Insane Asylum.

Senate resolution concerning pensions for soldiers of the war of 1812.

An act to extend the corporate limits of the town of Goldsboro'.

An act making an appropriation for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind Asylum.

An act to authorize the Petersburg Railroad Company to run a new road from any point on their present road, not exceeding two miles north of its depot at Garysburg, to, and into Weldon, and for other purposes.

An act entitled an Act to repeal an Act concerning fisheries in Carteret County.

Resolution in relation to special Tax Bonds.

Senate Resolution for investigation.

Senate Resolution concerning Banks.

An act to incorporate the Mechanics Savings, Loan and Building Association at Elizabeth City in the County of Pasquotank.

An act to incorporate the Elizabeth City and Norfolk Railroad Company.

An act incorporating the N. C. Homestead Association.

An act for the relief of John Barnett, sheriff of Person County.

Resolution in relation to Penitentiary Bonds.

An act to amend an Act to prevent the obstruction of fish in Little river.

An act in relation to the clearing out obstructions in Lumber river in the County of Robeson.

An act to amend an act authorizing the formation of corporation for Mechanical, Mining and other purposes.

An act to amend an act in relation to the Western Turnpike road, leading westward from Asheville to Murphy.

An act to change the line between the counties of Surry and Alleghany.

An act to repeal chap. 240, laws 1868 and 1869.

An act to incorporate the Rock Spring Camp Ground in Rutherfordton.

An act to enlarge the powers of County Commissioners.

An act to secure the better protection of life and property.

An act to make land owners, in certain cases, consolidate the surveys of different tracts.

An act to amend section 18 of an act relating to special procedure in cases of mills.

An act to incorporate the trustees of Franklin Academy, in Rowan County.

An act to prohibit the sale of spirituous liquors within three miles of what are known as the Davidson Copper Mines, in Davidson County.

An act to incorporate the Chatham Copper Mining Company.

An act to incorporate the Continental Copper Mining Company.

An act to incorporate the Ann Holden and Murfreesboro, co-Operative and Building Association.

An act to authorize Walker Smith, late Sheriff of Rockingham County, and W. D. Justice of Henderson county, to collect arrears of taxes.

An act to incorporate the N. C. Spoke and Handle Company.

An act to incorporate the New York and North Carolina Mining Company.

An act to incorporate the Southern Gold and Copper Mining company.

An act to lay off and establish a new county of Dare.

Senate Resolution concerning Bonds.

Senate Resolution for the better protection of married women.

Senate Resolution in relation to the subscription of citizens of Raleigh to the Penitentiary.

Senate Resolution to investigate the office of Secretary of State.

Senate Resolution in regard to the number of clerks allowed by law, to the different Departments of State.

An act to restore the credit of the State and facilitate the construction of our unfinished Railroads.

An act to amend an act to establish special courts in the cities of Wilmington and Newbern, ratified August 11, 1868.

An act to better protect the following interests in Currituck county.

An act to amend section I of a resolution authorizing the Secretary of State to furnish members with copies of laws.

An act to authorize the County Commissioners of Craven county to levy a special tax.

Resolution for the relief of Thomas F. Baxter, Sheriff of Currituck county.

An act to incorporate Junaluska Lodge of Ancient York Masons at Franklin, N. C.

An act to authorize the Sheriff of Washington county to collect arrears of taxes.

Senate Resolution in relation to the issue of bonds for the county of Jackson.

An act to incorporate Watauga Lodge, No. 293.

An act to repeal an act entitled an act amendatory of the act to incorporate the W. N. C. Railroad Company.

An act authorizing Geo. W. Wynne, former tax collector of Hertford county, to collect arrears of taxes for the year 1867.

An act to incorporate Catawba Lodge, No. 248, A. M. F., at Newton Catawba county.

Resolution concerning the detective force.

Resolution concerning the Executive Mansion.

Resolution in regard to an act to provide a system of public instruction.

An act in favor of the children of Lee N. McAfee and Adelaide McAfee.

An act to authorize the construction of a bridge across French Broad River.

Resolution concerning Capitol Square.

An act to incorporate the Young Men's Intelligent and enterprising Association.

Resolution instructing the Finance Committee.

An act to abolish the office of State Printer.

An act to incorporate the Wilmington Life Insurance Company.

An act to amend an act in relation to the North East branch of the Cape Fear River.

An act to incorporate a society for the relief of the preachers of Virginia.

An act to incorporate the town of Robesonville in Martin county.

An act to authorize the Board of Commissioners of Warren County to levy a special tax.

An act to authorize the Commissioners of Orange county to issue bonds.

An act to protect the State's interest in the N. C. R. R.

An act to repeal an act entitled an act to protect sheriffs in the sale of lands for taxes, ratified the 12th day of April, 1869.

An act to incorporate the Rescued Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1 of Raleigh.

An act to extend the time of G. M. Webb, tax collector of Cleveland county, to settle with County Treasurer.

An act to empower the County Commissioners of Cumberland county to levy a special tax.

An act to authorize the County Commissioners of Haywood county to levy a special tax.

An act to incorporate the Porters Gold Mine and Sandy Creek Water Co. in Franklin county.

Resolutions on Printing.

Senate Resolution of inquiry concerning expenses of the State government.

An act to amend an act, to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within three miles of the W. N. C. Railroad.

An act to prevent disturbance at or within 50 yards of Jerusalem Church, in Northampton County.

An act to regulate the entries of vacant lands.

Resolution asking our Representatives in Congress to use their influence for the total abatement of the United States direct Tax on Real Estate.

Resolution requesting an additional report from the Auditor.

Resolution in favor of James R. Grady, Sheriff of Harnett County.

Senate Resolution for investigation.

An act concerning the Registration of Deeds and other instruments.

An act to repeal the 9th section of an act entitled an Act suspending the Code of Civil Procedure in certain cases ratified on the 22nd day of March, 1869.

An act to incorporate the Southern Copper Mining Company.

An act to authorize J. P. Matheson, late Sheriff of Alexander County, to collect arrears of taxes.

An act to incorporate the Franconia Manufacturing Company of the County of Duplin.

An act to change the time for holding the Courts in the 8th Judicial District.

An act to incorporate the town of Wilkesboro'.

An act declaratory of the cases to which an act, entitled "An act concerning the settlement of the estate of deceased persons,"

Senate Resolution in regard to stationary.

An act to amend the charter of the town of Tarboro'.

An act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Raleigh.

An act to authorize the Commissioners of Chowan to levy a special tax.

An act to incorporate the Mechanics Building and Loan Association of Raleigh.

An act to construct and lay out a road through the counties of Alleghany and Ashe.

An act to amend an act to extend the corporate limits of the town of Lumberton.

An act to authorize the Commissioners of McDowell county to levy a special tax and for other purposes.

An act to legalize and make valid an election held in the town of Pittsboro' in the county of Chatham for municipal affairs of said town.

An act to incorporate the Reliance Bucket and Axe Company of the City of Newbern.

An act to provide the levying of a special tax in the county of Perquimans.

An act to empower the County Commissioners of Stanly to levy a special tax.

An act to incorporate the Ben-evolent Sons of Edgecombe county.

An act to incorporate the Wilmington Carolina Railroad Company.

Senate resolution asking the Governor for information concerning the interest on the public debt.

Senate Resolution requiring a catalogue of bills passed.

An act to amend an act, incorporating the town of Mount Airy in the county of Surry.

An act to incorporate Stone Wall Lodge No. 296 A. F. A. Mason in the county of Martin.

An act to allow the Sheriff of Surry County to collect arrears of taxes.

An act to consolidate an act, incorporating the town of Lenoir, Caldwell County and the act amendatory thereof.

Senate Resolution requesting the committee of investigation to the Senate by the 16th March or sooner.

Senate Resolution supplementary to a resolution on printing.

Senate Resolution of inquiry of a bill to amend the charter of the W. N. C. R. R.

Senate Resolution in relation to legal advice.

An act to incorporate the People's Manufacturing Loan and Trust Company to be located in the County of Cumberland.

An act to incorporate the Edenton and Norfolk R. R. Company.

An act to authorize the Election of Municipal officers in the town of Chapel Hill.

An act to authorize the County Commissioners of Columbus County to levy a special tax for the year 1870.

An act to authorize an

The Conservative Address.

We have carefully perused the address of the (so called) Conservative members of the General Assembly, to the people of North Carolina, and we do not hesitate to say, that of the many hundred public (political) documents we have read, this address, is the most remarkable, the most inconsistent, and the weakest of the kind we have ever read.

We do not think it necessary to comment upon this extraordinary document, at length, for it bears the marks, of weakness and inconsistency on its very face, so plain that no sensible man, will spend his time with it, however we desire to call attention to a few sentences in this address, in order that our readers may understand the game of the Democratic party in this State.

The address begins by saying, "The undersigned Conservative members of the General Assembly," "CONSERVATIVE! Bah! When in the name of reason and common sense, did these men ever do anything to entitle them to the name of conservative? Was it when they were plotting the overthrow of the Government of the United States? Was it when they were advocating secession war and ruin?"

Conservative indeed. If Conservative means, secession war, bloodshed, conscription, tything laws, ku-klux &c., then we can agree that they are entitled to the name, otherwise we cannot.

Again the authors of this remarkable document say: "Why should we stop to enquire whether our leaders were in the past, Whigs, Democrats, Unionists or Secessionists, so they but lead us to victory and save us from defeat, the result of which would be nothing less than absolute ruin."

True as gospel, the success of the, so-called, Conservative party, would result in absolute ruin to the State, and would only be in keeping with their motto "rule or ruin."

Again they say, "That party (meaning we suppose the Republican party) that has enormously increased the State debt; that has ruined the State credit." In reply to this, we would ask, did not a majority of the gentleman who signed this address, vote for these Rail Road appropriations, and thereby aid in "increasing the State debt?" Why then lay the blame upon the Republican party when you are guilty of the same offense. And as to ruining the State credit, no party in North Carolina, has been more instrumental in bringing about the unfortunate condition of the State credit, than the Democratic party.

Again hear them. In the last contest in this State, the principal issue was upon the question of colored suffrage and the civil rights of the colored race. That matter has been decided, upon a solemn appeal, by the people of the United States.—The guarantee of their rights, has now become a part of the Constitution. To that Constitution we have ever been willing to defer, to the laws made in pursuance of it, we yield, and ever have yielded a ready obedience.

The reconstruction acts of Congress, with the civil and political rights they confer on the colored race, we regard as a finality. We accept them in good faith. We are one of the States of the Union. Let us seek to forget the bitterness of the past, to build up the places of waste by the unfortunate war, and to promote the harmony and prosperity of all sections of our great country.

The colored man now enjoys the same political and civil right as the white man. We accept his status as fixed by the Constitution of this State and the United States in good faith. We regard it as a final settlement of the question. It now becomes our duty as good citizens to elevate him morally and intellectually.

"Oh, consistency thou art a jewel." Was there ever such brazen impudence, and inconsistency, attempted to be practiced, by any party before?

True, "in the last contest in this State, the principle issue was

upon the question of colored suffrage, and the civil rights of the colored race." But pray tell us where you stood then, were you in favor of granting these privileges and rights to the colored race? No Sirs, you planted yourselves fairly and squarely against it, and did all in your power to prevent the colored race from obtaining these rights and privileges, and now you have the impudence to say, "the guarantee of their rights, has become a part of the constitution. To that constitution we have ever been willing to defer, to the laws made in pursuance of it, we yield and ever have yielded a ready obedience," and that you "accept them in good faith."

"What a fall was there my countrymen." The Democratic party of North Carolina except in good faith, the reconstruction acts of Congress, and the civil and political rights they confer on the colored race.—You had as well try to "sing psalms to a dead horse" as try to make the people believe any such things, and we warn the colored people, that this is only a bait; that they are throwing out, asking you to give them a club to break your own heads with, and if you trust them, our word for it, will deceive you and make your very condition even worse than slavery.

We have neither time nor space to say more on this subject, at present, but may refer to it again to say the least of this remarkable address, it is replete with intrigue, deception, and misrepresentations of facts, and will be so looked upon by all sensible men.

The Trial.

At a late hour on Saturday, the preliminary examination of the witnesses in the case of the parties charged with Ku-Kluxing was brought to a close, and four of the parties, W. C. Depriest, W. A. Baber, R. A. McEntire and Amos Owens, were bound over to Court; Julius B. Fortune and Olin Carson were released, and four of the witnesses, Webb Toney, Wm. Holland, Aaron Biggerstaff and Ramsey were also bound over to answer a charge of "assault, with intent to kill" S. Biggerstaff.

The Radicals, who were so anxious to make political capital of this unfortunate affair, will perhaps be that the game stands four Conservatives and four Radicals. These witnesses have caught themselves, and if found guilty of the charges against them, will doubtless remember with what bitterness they gave their evidence against the parties charged with Ku-Kluxing.—*Vindicator* 28th ult.

We clip the above in order to show a sympathy which exists between the leaders of the Conservative party and its organs, with Ku-Kluxing. The above refers to a trial before Judge LOGAN, or rather an investigation of certain parties charged with going disguised, and whipping and mistreating men, women and children in the night time. After a full hearing of the case, the Judge considered that there had been a crime committed and that there was probable cause that the persons named, viz: W. C. Depriest, Wm. Baber, Amos Owens and R. A. McEntire had committed the same. They were therefore bound over to Court, to answer the charge. The evidence shows that there had been a violation of Law, yet the *Vindicator*, would apologise for the same by saying that four of the witnesses had also been bound over for another crime which, he would no doubt have committed had his wife and family been abused and frightened by men disguised, as was shown by the evidence which caused the breach of the peace referred to, in binding the four men who were witnesses as above mentioned in his article.

We do not approve of the assault upon the House of Biggerstaff and very much regret that more caution had not been displayed in tracking the perpetrators of the crime of whipping (they Jenkins, Almon Owens, and the frightening of Mrs. McGaha, and family, for we believe if there had been, and with moderate and lawful counsel, the shedding of blood might have been saved, and at the same time such positive evidence adduced as to have proven the guilt beyond doubt as to the parties who have banded themselves together as Ku Klux,

and who have brought a disgrace upon the county.

The *Vindicator's* assertion that the Radicals desired to make political capital out of this unfortunate affair, is only equalled by his defence of men who would commit such crimes, by charging the witnesses with other crimes, in order to shield his own friends, and is an insult to Judge LOGAN, which we little expected to see in the *Vindicator*, as we suppose that its Editor, was aware that these men were arrested upon a warrant issued from His Honor, for the arrest of those charged with a breach of the peace in that portion of the County. As a Judge we believe this is the first time that any man or paper has charged Judge LOGAN, with attempting, in his official duties, to try to make political capital out of cases which come before him.

We repeat, we are sorry to see the *Vindicator* attempting to injure the usefulness of a Judge, who he has endorsed, as trying to make political capital out of cases which have come before him.

So far as Messrs. Toney, Holland, Biggerstaff and Ramsey are concerned, we would state that the grand jury only found bills against Holland, Biggerstaff and Ramsey and their cases will be tried before the proper tribunal, and if found guilty, we do not believe that "they will doubtless remember with what bitterness they gave their evidence against the parties charged with Ku-Kluxing," but rather that two wrongs don't make one right, and that because some of those for whom the *Vindicator* would apologise, committed a crime, that justified them in committing another, and that in the future they may pursue the course, that if a crime is committed they will allow the law to take its course, so that it may be said that the policy of those who do not uphold crime may be, "Let us have peace."

Superior Court.

Last Saturday evening the Superior Court for this county closed its labors, after a week of laborious work, for Judge, Bar and Clerk, while for the Traverse Jury it was comparatively light.

The Grand Jury did much business and we believe, we can say that a more intelligent Grand Jury has not often set in this county than this one.

The State docket for this term was quite large, 57 cases, mostly for small offences, Assaults and Battery, Affrays, &c. The only cases of any importance we believe were the State against Wilkey Hamilton, for Larceny, State against A. Hudgins, for the same, in both cases the defendants were found guilty and sentenced to the Penitentiary for one year each.

But little business on the Transferred and Civil Issue Docket, was disposed of—as Judge LOGAN had been Counsel in nearly all the cases, and in all such he has invariably refused to act.

The Bar was quite ably represented during the term by Messrs. Solicitor Bynum and Hoke, of Lincoln; Shipp, of Charlotte, Cabiness, of Shelby; Gaither and Bynum, of Morganton; with our local bar Messrs. Churchill and Whiteside, Carson, M. H. Justice, J. M. Justice and Logan.

The Ku Klux case which has created some excitement in this county, the investigation of which has been noticed in our paper, had a hearing before the Grand Jury, and true bills were found against W. C. Depriest, Amos Owens, Wm. Baber and A. C. McEntire, they being under recognition came into Court and made affidavit that they did not believe that they could get Justice in Rutherford county, and the case was removed to McDowell county, to stand for trial at the fall term of said Court. They gave bond for their appearance.

There were numbers of presentments for different crimes and true bills found by the Grand Jury, for almost every offence known to the criminal Law; from murder down, but we do not feel at liberty to give names. Our county as shown by this term of the Court, must be in as bad a condition as it was ever known to be, murder, ku-kluxing, arson, perjury and various other crimes are being committed, to an extent which is appalling. We very much regret to see such a state of affairs, and hope that the tide may turn for the better.

The Latest News.

(Compiled from our latest Exchange.)

Affairs in Washington.

Washington, April 4.—House. The House refused to accede to a resolution to adjourn in May. A bill fixing a day for the elections to Congress in 1872, in the meantime, Congressional election to occur on days designated by State laws, is pending.

Delano appeared before the House Judiciary Committee in defense of the action of his supervisor in seizing factories within the Cherokee country. Judge Paschall argues in behalf of the Indians at the next meeting. The impression is strong that the Revenue Department blundered in these seizures.

Perely, correspondent of the *Boston Journal*, telegraphs that Bingham's amendment will pass the Senate. This morning's *Republican* makes the same assertion. The Conservative Republican delegation here claim that the amendment will be carried by Colfax's vote on a divided Senate.

The Texas members have been admitted to seats in Congress.

The colored men were excluded from voting in the Connecticut election, in violation of the 15th amendment.

Markets.

New York April 4.—Cotton quiet and firm, sales 220, middling at 23.
Gold firm, 11½.

From Virginia.

RICHMOND, March 31.—Judge Underwood to-day granted an injunction restraining Mayor Ellison from action as Mayor. He also refused and appeal on the ground that the injunction was granted to continue only till the next term.—Ellison's counsel have given notice of their intention to disobey the order of the Court in order to cause the arrest of Ellison, and then bring his case before the Supreme Court on a writ of habeas corpus. The Judge, in his decision declares Enabling Act, passed by the Legislature as unconstitutional. The decision affects nearly all the officers in the State.

NORFOLK, March 31.—The bark "Cricket" from Rio Janeiro for Baltimore was wrecked off the Cape Charles. Five thousand bags of coffee lost. Vessel and crew saved.

RICHMOND, March 31.—The injunction granted this morning was issued this afternoon to Ellison, City Council and the police, but they went on with the city affairs as usual. Cahoon issued a proclamation this evening, saying his police force will be promptly reorganized and requesting persons, appointed by Ellison, to retire to their homes peacefully, so that no further offences may occur. It is supposed that when Ellison holds court to-morrow, United States authorities will arrest him. It is the measure in which his council hope by habeas corpus, to get the case before the Supreme Court. Ellison's police still has control of the City.

RICHMOND, April 1.—The day has been quiet in regard to city affairs. Ellison has gone on exercising the duties of Mayor without interference of United States authorities, and so has Cahoon. The police of both Mayors are on the streets to-night. This morning Ellison's police surrendered the second station house to Cahoon by mistake for their instructions. Cahoon made two demands for possession of the City Hall to-day, but Ellison refused to give it up.

The city is quiet, Ellison and Cahoon each acting as Mayor. Cahoon demands possession of the City Hall; Ellison refuses. Federal troops stand aloof.

This evening the matter was taken into the State courts by Ellison, and Judge Welford, of the circuit court, granted mandamus, and issued injunction restraining Cahoon from exercising the duties of mayor.

We judge from the above that times are rather lively in Richmond. We would like to know who is Mayor.

Mr. Marton introduced a bill in the United States Senate the other day, enforcing the 15th amendment and prescribing penalties. The first Section reads!

"That if any person shall prevent, hinder, control or intimidate any person from exercising the right of suffrage, to whom the right of suffrage is secured or guaranteed by the 15th amendment of the Constitution of the United States, by means of bribery, threats, or threats of depriving such person of employment or occupation, or of ejecting such person from a rented house, lands or other property, or by threats of refusing to renew leases, or contracts for labor, or by threats of violence to himself, or family, such person so offending shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be imprisoned for not less than sixty days nor more than six months, and fined in any sum not less than five hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars." The third section gives the United States Courts jurisdiction in such cases.

ELECTION OF CONGRESSMEN.—The following bill providing for a uniform time for the election of Congressmen in all the States has passed the House of Representatives:

"Elections shall be held in all the States on the second Tuesday after the first Monday in November 1872, for the election of Representatives to the 43rd Congress, and the election shall be held on the same day of every second year thereafter for members of Congress, to take their seats on the succeeding 4th of March. In case of a failure to elect, vacancy shall be filled by a special election to be held under the authority of the several States.

The 15th Amendment.

The 15th Amendment of the Constitution of the United States, conferring the right to vote and hold office on colored persons in every State of the Union, has been adopted by the requisite number of States, and President Grant has issued a Proclamation to that effect.

"The President's Message says it is unusual to notify Congress by message of the ratification of constitutional amendments. In view, however, of the vast importance of the 15th amendment, this day declared a part of that revered instrument, a departure from the usual custom is justifiable. A measure which makes four millions of people voters who were heretofore declared by the highest judicial tribunals not citizens—not eligible—now become so is a measure of grander importance than any one act since the foundation of our free government.

The President calls upon the newly enfranchised class to ever make themselves worthy of their new privileges, and urges the whites to withhold no legal privileges of an advancement to the new citizens. He quotes from Washington on the importance of intelligence and education, and calls upon Congress to promote and encourage popular education, and upon all the people everywhere to see that all who possess political rights shall have an opportunity to acquire that knowledge which shall make their share in the government a blessing instead of a danger. By such means only can the benefits contemplated by this amendment be secured.

The proclamation enumerates the following States as having ratified the amendment; North Carolina, West Virginia, Massachusetts, Wisconsin, Louisiana, Michigan, South Carolina, Pennsylvania, Arkansas, Connecticut, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, New York, New Hampshire, Nevada, Vermont, Virginia, Alabama, Missouri, Mississippi, Ohio, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Rhode Island, Nebraska, and Texas—in all twenty-nine.—*Charlotte Democrat*

The Common-Law Dower Right.

We try to keep our readers posted in regard to the public laws of the State and the changes made since the close of the war. People who buy Real Estate should be careful about having their Deeds made correctly, for it must be remembered that every married woman is entitled in her own right to one-third of her husband's real estate; if she outlives him, and she cannot be deprived of this right unless she voluntarily and of her own free will and accord joins her husband in making a Deed.

Property sold under execution does not deprive the married woman of her right to one-third of the same, provided she outlives her husband; after his death she can certainly recover one-third of all his real estate so sold, unless she relinquished her right by signature and privy examination. If the woman dies before her husband, then the purchaser of the property is secure in his possession even if the woman never signed a Deed.

The fact is scarcely ever stated, but it is true, nevertheless, that when an officer sells real estate to satisfy an execution, he sells it subject to the widow's dower, for he cannot sell the whole and deprive the married woman of her rights.

We merely mention these points to put people on their guard, and save all parties from difficulties in titles hereafter. We think the best plan is, to always have Deeds drawn by a well-informed lawyer. A great deal of trouble and litigation might be avoided by having business legally and properly transacted.—*Charlotte Democrat*

We regret much to see, that the democratic papers throughout the State do not eulogize the remarks of Gen. Clingman, as published in pamphlet form. The General being one of their own men, an ardent worker for the confederacy, when it was in force, and a man of much ability, we thought these papers might bear to have him tell them the truth, and receive it with a good deal of grace, but it seems that they don't take it from him any more kindly than they do from us, and we have made up our minds that most of the opposition papers are beyond salvation.

But the people judge for themselves, and many are today acting their own judgment and deciding for themselves to let dead issues go, and live in the present, accepting that policy which is most liberal, magnanimous and just.

The people will read and reflect; and in the end, most of them will come out on the right side.—*New Berne Times*.

Loss of an old Historic Church.—The Presbyterian church at Sugar Creek, near Charlotte, N. C., was burned by an incendiary, on the night of the 10th of February.

It was organized in 1765, under Rev. Alexander Craighead, a Celebrated minister in his day. He is the true father of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, May 20th, 1775, more than a year before the National Declaration. That convention that met in Charlotte on that bright May day, was largely from Sugar Creek, and its President, Abraham Alexander, was an elder in the church. The congregation was as true as steel in the dark days of '76. It is sad to think that a church with such a history has perished in such a base and cowardly way.—*Southern Home*.

Zanesville, Ohio, has been the first corporation to publicly acknowledge and entirely comprehend the import of the women's rights question. The male citizens of that community have petitioned that the female citizens shall have all the present rights that the men have enjoyed—"that they be liable to military jury, and road duty; liable for their own and their husbands' debts; and that if a woman refuse or neglect to provide for the support of her husband and family; a divorce shall be granted, awarding alimony to her husband." Now, Zanesville is an excellent local-

ity for putting the matter to a test. It should be set apart by the general government for this purpose; and under the rules proposed, it will be interesting to know how many women will be left there at the end of a year.—*Chicago Times*.

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ITEMS BY SCISSORS.

"Harry, mamma," said a little innocent with his finger cut; "hurry it's leaking."

If men's faults were written on their foreheads broad-brimmed hats would be fashionable.

A crusty old bachelor says that Adam's wife was called Eve because when she appeared man's day of happiness was drawing to a close.

A sign on an Academy out West reads:

"Freeman & Huggs. Freeman teaches the boys and Huggs the girls."

A German, being required to give a receipt in full, after much mental effort produced the following:

"I wish full. I want no more monish."

JOHN SWACAMMER.

"Boy, you are not far removed from a fool."

"Well, as I ain't more than three feet apart, I give in to that," was the reply.

"Come Bob, how much have you cleared by your speculation?" said a friend to his companion.

"Cleared!" answered Bob, with a frown; "why, I cleared my pockets!"

A fop in company wanting his servant called out, "Where's that blockhead of mine?"

A lady present answered, "On your shoulders, sir."

A sailorexplains the distribution of prize money to be as follows:—"It is sifted through a ladder. What falls through goes to the officers; what sticks the sailors get."

An editor thus ludicrously describes a primitive church:—"No velvet cushions in our pews; we don't go in for style. The fattest person has the softest seat, and takes it out with him at the close of services."

"Now, my little boys and girls," said a teacher, "I want you to be very quiet,—so quiet that you can hear a pin drop." In a minute all was silent; when a little boy shrieked, "Let her drop!"

A dentist presented a bill for the tenth time to a rich skinflint.

"It strikes me," said the latter, "that this is a pretty round bill."

"Yes," replied the dentist, "I have sent it round often enough to make it appear so and I have called now to have it squared."

When Spencer had finished his famous poem of the "Fairy Queen," he carried it to the Earl of Southampton, the great patron of the poets of that day. The manuscript being sent up to the Earl, he read a few pages, and then ordered his servant to give the writer twenty pounds. Reading on, he cried in a rapture, "Carry the man another twenty pounds." Proceeding farther, he exclaimed, "Give him twenty pounds more." But at length he lost all patience, and said, "Go turn that fellow out of the house, for if I read farther I shall be ruined."

Sir Watkins William Wynne, conversing with a friend about the antiquity of his family, which he carried up to Noah, was told that he was a mere mushroom.

"Ay!" said he; "how so, pray?"

"Why," replied the other, "when I was in Wales a pedagogue of a puter family was shown to me; it filled about five large skins of parchment, and about the middle of it was a note in margin:—*About that time the world was created!*"

A young lady contemplating matrimony was one morning handed a Testament by her father, with the leaf turned down at the following passage:—"He who giveth in marriage doeth well, but he who giveth not in marriage doeth better."

She immediately returned it with the following reply written underneath:—

"Dear father, I am content to do well; let those do better who can."

Saxe, the joker and the poet, was once taking a trip on a steamer, when he fell in with a lively young lady, to whom he made himself very agreeable. Of course he made an impression upon the damsel who said at parting:—

"Good-by, Mr. Saxe; I fear you'll soon be forgetting me."

"Ah! miss," said the inveterate punster, "if I was not a married man already, you may be sure I'd be for getting you."

An old Oriental story relates that, one day, Moolla Muscerodeen, in a mosque, ascended the desk, and thus addressed his audience:—

"Oh, children of the faithful, do you know what I am going to say?"

"They answered, 'No.'"

"Well, then," replied he, "it is no use for me to waste my time on so stupid a set of people!" and then saying this, he came down and dismissed them.

The next day he again mounted the desk, and asked:—

"Oh, true Mussulmans, do ye no what I am going to say?"

"We do," said they.

"Then," replied he, "there is no need for me to tell you."

And again he let them go.

The third time his audience thought they would catch him, and on his putting his usual question, they answered:—

"Some of us do, and some of us don't."

"Well, then," replied he, "let those who know tell those who do not."

Before the war a gentleman might take a lady to any of the first-class theaters at a cost of only one dollar for both. When gold went up to 200 all the theaters increased their rates, most of them charging \$1.50 for a reserved seat, making the cost for two persons \$3. As gold is now but about 25 per cent. above par, we think it time that the managers reduced the terms of admission. They were very prompt in advancing them; they should be equally prompt in keeping pace with the downward tendency of gold. The present admission fee is too high, and compels a man of moderate means to reflect before indulging in amusement for which he can hardly afford to pay. Were the cost reduced many would visit the theaters more frequently, and the managers would gain by the change, and the actors would have the encouragement and approbation of larger audiences.

A Strange Meeting.

Some years since, a respectable merchant of this city, then living in another State, was divorced from his wife. He left the place of his domestic misfortunes and came here. Time cured the sting of his late-rated affections, and he married again. His divorced wife married too. This was known to both, but no communication, by letter or otherwise, was kept up; and so the years went by, and each was almost forgotten by the other in the new ties they had formed. But accident has some queer meetings, and it plays scurvy tricks. It so happened that the divorced wife and her present husband came to New Orleans some weeks since, and on Sunday attended church. Being strangers, they were shown to a vacant pew, and prepared to engage in the service. But just then the owner of the pew and his wife came in. I was large enough for all, and the strangers were requested to remain seated. There was something, however, in the gentleman's appearance that attracted the attention of the lady visitor, and watching him closely, their eyes met in mutual recognition. It was the divorced wife and husband. After the laps of many years they met in this strange way. They kept their counsel, however, and when the service was over parted as strangers.—*New Orleans Picayune*

John Wesley, the founder of Methodism, when one day riding through the country, was saluted by a fellow who was lying in a ditch: "Hello, Father Wesley, I'm glad to see you. How are you?" "I don't know you," said M. W. manifesting some curiosity and reining up his horse. "Who are you?" "Why you are the very man that converted me," I reckon I am," said the ill-tutored divine, putting spurs to his horse, "as one thing is evident—the Lord had nothing to do with it."

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